

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

TUESDAY

1:30 P.M.

MAY 9, 2000

PRESENT:

Ted F. Short, Chairman

Jim Shaw, Vice Chairman

Joanne Bond, Commissioner

Jim Galloway, Commissioner

Pete Sferrazza, Commissioner

Amy Harvey, County Clerk

Betty Jo Vonderheide, Chief Deputy County Clerk

Katy Singlaub, County Manager

Madelyn Shipman, Legal Counsel

The Board met in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Following the pledge of allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

00-365 AGENDA

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the agenda for the May 9, 2000, meeting be approved with the following amendments: Add to Item 5E, General Fund appropriation transfers for travel in Senior Services Budget, that the Comptroller be directed to make the necessary adjustments; and delete Item 14, departmental budget appeals for fiscal year 2000/2001.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sam Dehne, local resident, expressed his discontent with some of the other local governmental entities.

MINUTES

On motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 18, 2000, and the special joint meeting of April 18, 2000, be approved.

00-366 RESOLUTION - JIM REGAN, CHURCHILL COUNTY COMMISSIONER

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following resolution, which Chairman Short read into the record, be adopted and that the Board be authorized to execute same on behalf of Washoe County:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Churchill County recently suffered the tragic loss of their Churchill County Commission Chairman Jim Regan; and

WHEREAS, Jim Regan has served the citizens of Churchill County as a County Commissioner for the past 12 years, six of those years as Chairman; and

WHEREAS, Jim Regan has called Nevada his home for nearly 50 years, with his political career beginning when he was elected to the Churchill County Commission in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Jim Regan was considered to be one of those people who held public office with the deepest respect of his peers, as well as being an extremely honorable man and a dedicated public servant; and

WHEREAS, Jim Regan possessed the ability to understand issues at hand and fight what he thought was a good fight, while being gracious and thoughtful; and

WHEREAS, Churchill County, and the State of Nevada as a whole, benefited from his dedication to his position, his ability to do a difficult job well and his strong moral character; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Washoe County Board of Commissioners recognize Jim Regan for his many contributions during his tenure as a Churchill County Commissioner and offers its condolences to his wife "Evie," relatives, friends and the entire Churchill County community.

00-367 RESOLUTION - PARENT PATROL INC.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following resolution, which Chairman Short read into the record, be adopted and that Chairman Short be authorized to execute same on behalf of Washoe County:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Parent Patrol Inc. was founded in Washoe County in October 1995, promoting a positive visual presence of involved parents that keep children safe, happy and healthy; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of Washoe County is committed to creating a better quality of life for all its community's children to live in a safe, happy and healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, It is the responsibility of our community to come together as one and create a positive visual presence that is organized and supportive of its children; and

WHEREAS, Juvenile crime and conflict between our children is on the rise, and it affects all of us either directly or indirectly; and

WHEREAS, We as parents, grandparents and community members have a responsibility to preserve an environment that offers our children the best chance for success; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that we address, support and expect our community to be involved with the positive changes, through parent involvement, that will help counteract the increasing violence that is taking place between our children and the safety issues that they are faced with daily; and

WHEREAS, Our youth is our greatest resource and, as parents and community members we hold the future in our hands and must provide them a safe, happy and healthy environment, wherever they may be by committing ourselves to be involved in and around our children's schools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County:

1. Recognize that no one person or entity is exempt from the responsibility for creating a safe, happy and healthy environment for our children.
2. We support a positive Visual presence of trained parents and community members to ensure the safety of our community's children.
3. Support parent involvement through the Parent Patrol Inc. Program, their goals and efforts for parent involvement as they work to raise awareness and encourage our community's responsibility to become a visual presence for the safety of our children; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County encourages the community to recognize and support a positive visual presence of trained, involved parents that voluntarily establish policies that create a "community friendly environment" and assist in assuring a safe environment for children. We affirm that such entity and its efforts will undoubtedly result in better educated parents and community members, with a compassionate and responsible society and a better-informed community on child safety. We declare our commitment to work with Parent Patrol Inc. on this issue.

00-368 ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT - STATE DIVISION OF CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES - FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES

Upon recommendation of Mike Capello, Social Services Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the Department of Social Services be authorized to accept \$80,000 in federal pass through funds from the State Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) to pay for intensive time-limited family reunification services.

00-369 FY 1999/2000 HEALTH CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT RATES - SOCIAL SERVICES

Upon recommendation of Mike Capello, Social Services Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which

motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the Social Services Department Director be authorized to reimburse for Emergency, Outpatient and Clinic services in the Health Care Assistance Program (HCAP) up to 100 percent of billed charges for the period of July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000.

00-370 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS - SENIOR SERVICES - TRAVEL

Upon recommendation of Anna Heenan, Senior Administrative Analyst, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the following appropriation transfers, necessary to cover travel expenditures within the Social Services Department budget, be authorized and that the Comptroller be directed to make the adjustments:

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
001-2501-7398	Miscellaneous Expense	Decrease by	\$1,593.00
001-2501-7620	Travel	Increase By	\$1,593.00

00-371 AUTHORIZATION TO PURSUE GRANTS - SENIOR SERVICES

Upon recommendation of Karen Mabry, Senior Services Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the Director of Senior Services be authorized to pursue grants from the Nevada Departments of Transportation and Motor Vehicles and Public Safety and the Regional Transportation Commission in the amount of \$50,000 for the purpose of purchasing a 10-12 passenger small built bus on behalf of the Gerlach-Empire Senior Transportation Program.

00-372 INCREASES IN FOOD COMMODITY ACCOUNTS - WITTENBERG HALL AND MCGEE CENTER - JUVENILE SERVICES

Upon recommendation of Mary Ann Woolley, Assistant Director, Juvenile Services, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the following increases in the Food Commodity (revenue and expenditure) accounts for Wittenberg Hall and the McGee Center (CFDA # 10.555) for juvenile breakfast and lunch meals be approved:

	CURRENT FUNDING	PROPOSED FUNDING	INCREASE REQUESTED
Wittenberg Hall			
Revenue Account:	\$75,000.00	\$83,000.00	\$8,000.00

12987G-4301			
Expenditure Acct: 12987G-7461	\$75,000.00	\$83,000.00	\$8,000.00
McGee Center			
Revenue Account: 12967G-4301	\$ 6,650.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$1,750.00
Expenditure Acct: 12967G-7461	\$ 6,650.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$1,750.00

00-373 ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION - NEVADA GAMING FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE - LIBRARY

Upon recommendation of Nancy Cummings, Library Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the donation from the Nevada Gaming Foundation in the amount of \$27,457, to be used to enhance the Library's ability to provide Outreach Literacy services to the children in our community be accepted with the Board's gratitude.

00-374 SPECIALIZED TRAINING OF MEDICAL PERSONNEL - SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM AND CHILD ABUSE RESPONSE AND EVALUATIONS PROGRAMS - DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Upon recommendation of Richard Gammick, District Attorney, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that expenditures, not to exceed \$4,000, for the purpose of specialized training of medical personnel for the Washoe County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) and the Child Abuse Response and Evaluations (CARES) programs be approved.

00-375 AMENDMENT TO OVERTIME PROVISIONS - NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES - HUMAN RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Joanne Ray, Human Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the following amendment to the overtime provisions for the confidential employees, and employees of District Court, Justice Court, Juvenile Services and the Law Library, effective May 8, 2000, be approved:

Certain paid time off, (vacation, compensatory time and personal leave) shall be included for purposes of determining whether an employee exceeded forty (40) hours in a week and is entitled to overtime payment. Sick leave shall not be included as time worked for purposes of overtime.

00-376 SALARY AND BENEFIT CHANGES - NON-REPRESENTED ATTORNEYS - HUMAN RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Joanne Ray, Human Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the following salary and benefit changes for the non-represented attorneys in the District Attorney's Office and the Public Defender's Office be approved:

1. A 2 percent general salary increase be granted effective January 1, 2000;
2. A 2 percent general salary increase be granted effective July 1, 2000;
3. Annual leave accruals be increased by one or four days, depending upon the employee's length of service as follows:

Current Vacation Accrual Rate		New Vacation Accrual Rate	
1 but less than 3 years	80 Hours	Less than 3 years	96 Hours
3 but less than 7 years	120 Hours	3 but less than 5 years	136 Hours
7 but less than 10 years	144 Hours	5 but less than 10 years	152 Hours
10 or more years	168 Hours	10 but less than 15 years	176 Hours
		15 but less than 20 years	192 Hours
		20 years or more	200 Hours

4. Employees who use 32 hours or less of sick leave shall be credited with 24 hours of personal leave credit for the following year. This is an increase of 8 hours of personal leave.
5. Employees working in downtown Reno who are not provided free parking shall receive \$15.00 per bi-weekly pay period. This is an increase from the current \$15.00 per month.

It was noted that these changes are the same as in the negotiated settlement with the Washoe County Public Attorney's Association.

00-377 RATIFICATION OF AMENDMENTS TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS - WASHOE COUNTY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

Commissioner Sferrazza disclosed that his daughter works for the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and would be affected by this recommendation; and stated that he felt he should abstain from discussion and voting on this item.

Upon recommendation of Steve Watson, Labor Relations Manager, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Sferrazza abstaining, Chairman Short ordered that the amendments to Article 13, Overtime-Work Day-Work Week, and Article 15, Holidays, of the Collective Bargaining Agreements with the Washoe County Employees Association for the Supervisory and Non-Supervisory bargaining units, to be effective the pay period beginning May 8, 2000, be ratified.

It was noted that for Overtime-Work Day-Work Week, the change provides that certain paid time off, (vacation, compensatory time and personal leave) shall be included for purposes of determining whether an employee exceeded forty (40) hours in a week and is entitled to overtime payment and that sick leave shall not be included as time worked for purposes of overtime; and that the holiday change provides that employees who work on both the actual and observed holidays will continue to be paid time and one-half (1½) for both days, however, they shall only receive 1 holiday, rather than the 2 holidays currently provided.

00-378 RATIFICATION OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - PUBLIC ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION - HUMAN RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Steve Watson, Labor Relations Manager, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the amendments to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Public Attorneys Association for the Public Attorneys bargaining unit be ratified.

It was noted that the most significant changes to the agreement are:

1. Term of Agreement: The agreement is for one year, January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000.
2. Salaries: 2 percent general salary increase January 1, 2000 and 2 percent general salary increase July 1, 2000.
3. Annual Leave: Increase in annual leave accruals based on length of service in parity with the WCEA, Nurses and DA Investigators bargaining units.
4. Personal Leave: Increase personal leave to 24 hours for employees who use 32 hours or less of sick leave.
5. Parking Allowance: Employees working in downtown Reno who are not provided free parking shall receive \$15.00 per bi-weekly pay period instead of \$15.00 per month.

00-379 AUTHORIZATION TO RETAIN SWENDSEID & STERN AS BOND COUNSEL FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 29 - MT. ROSE INTERCEPTOR - WATER RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of John Collins, Manager, Utility Services Division, through Ed Schmidt, Director, Department of Water Resources, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the retention of Swendseid & Stern as Bond Counsel for Special Assessment District No. 29 (SAD 29) Mt. Rose Interceptor be authorized.

00-380 GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION DISTRICT NO. 24 - TECHNICAL SUPPORT SERVICES - CONSULTANT AGREEMENT - WATER RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Jim Ford, Remediation District Hydrogeologist, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the selection of Camp, Dresser & McKee, Inc. (CDM) for technical and hydrogeological support for the continued implementation of the Washoe County, Nevada, District No. 24, Groundwater Remediation District, Work Plan be

approved and the Remediation District Manager be authorized to negotiate a consulting services agreement for future Board approval.

00-381 AWARD OF BID - E911 SELECTIVE ROUTING SYSTEM - RFP NO. 2205-2000 - JOINDER BID

This was the time to consider award of bid, Notice to Bidders for receipt of sealed bids having been published in the Reno Gazette-Journal on November 5, 1999, for an E911 Selective Routing System for the E911 Project on behalf of the joinder agencies. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Proposals, copies of which were placed on file with the Clerk, were received from the following vendors:

Nevada Bell
GTE/CML

Lucent Technologies, Nortel Networks and Sprint failed to respond to the invitation to bid.

Upon recommendation of John Balentine, Purchasing and Contracts Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that RFP No. 2205-2000 for an E911 Selective Routing System for the E911 Project on behalf of the joinder agencies be awarded to Nevada Bell in the amount of \$53,505 for installation and first year service.

00-382 AWARD OF BID - 1999/2000 PAVING OF SELECTED STREETS IN THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS - PWP-WA-2000-335 - PUBLIC WORKS

This was the time to consider award of bid, Notice to Bidders for receipt of sealed bids having been published in the Reno Gazette-Journal on April 12, and 19, 2000, for the 1999/2000 Paving of Selected Paved Streets in the Truckee Meadows Area, Washoe County, Nevada, project (PWP-WA-2000-335) on behalf of the Public Works Department. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Following is a summary of the bid results:

CONTRACTOR	BASE BID	ADD ALT 1	ADD ALT 2	TOTAL BID
Granite Construction	\$1,231,231.00	\$61,616.00	\$191,191.00	\$1,484,038.00
Q & D Construction	\$1,286,723.00	\$60,700.50	\$178,269.00	\$1,525,692.50
Frehner Construction	\$1,384,742.70	\$64,744.00	\$194,744.00	\$1,644,230.70
Atlas Contractors	\$1,551,481.90	\$68,497.80	\$231,113.30	\$1,851,093.00

Upon recommendation of Greg Belancio, Engineering Division, through Dave Roundtree, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the contract for the 1999/2000 Paving of Selected Paved Streets in the Truckee Meadows Area, Washoe County, Nevada, project (PWP-WA-2000-335) on behalf of the Public Works Department be awarded to the low, responsive and responsible bidder, Granite Construction Company, for the Base Bid and Alternates No. 1 and 2 in the amount of \$1,484,038.00 and that Chairman Short be authorized to execute the contract documents upon presentation.

00-383 AGREEMENT - BLACK EAGLE CONSULTING, INC. - TESTING & INSPECTION SERVICES FOR PAVING PROJECT - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Upon recommendation of Greg Belancio, Engineering Division, through Dave Roundtree, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that an agreement between Washoe County and Black Eagle Consulting, Inc., concerning testing and inspection services for the 1999/2000 Paving of Selected Paved Streets in the Truckee Meadows Area, Washoe County, Nevada, project (PWP-WA-2000-335) on behalf of the Public Works Department be approved and Chairman Short be authorized to execute on behalf of Washoe County.

00-384 STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENT - NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - SUN VALLEY BLVD. PEDESTRIAN PATH - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Upon recommendation of Clara Lawson, Engineering Division, through Dave Roundtree, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Cooperative (Stewardship) Agreement between Washoe County and the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) concerning the Sun Valley pedestrian path from 2nd Avenue to 7th Avenue be approved and Chairman Short be authorized to execute on behalf of Washoe County.

It was noted that Washoe County has received a \$326,897 grant to build this path and the County will provide the 5 percent match in engineering services.

00-385 APPEARANCE - WASHOE COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Geno Menchetti, Chairman of the Washoe County Airport Authority Board of Trustees, introduced Krys Bart, Executive Director of the Airport Authority.

Ms. Bart updated the Commission on airport projects and activities stating that the Part 150 Program is proceeding in a timely manner and should be completed in 18 to 24 months. Ms. Bart presented a packet of statistics in charts and graphs reflecting yearly passenger totals since 1990, average load factors for the last 3 years, total enplanements 1977 through 1999, yearly cargo totals since 1990, landing fees, and operating expenses. Each chart was discussed and a lengthy discussion was held on the impacts of American Airlines recent reduction in the number of flights serving Reno and how to offset those losses.

In response to Chairman Short, Ms. Bart stated that it is not feasible to use Stead for the cargo operations because longer runways would be needed, which would cost approximately \$70-million, and because there is no water at Stead.

Sam Dehne, a Reno resident, and Jackie Decker, Rewana Farms, expressed their objections to the Airport Authority expanding cargo operations and condemning property at Rewana Farms.

00-386 PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT 897 MORRILL - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Upon recommendation of James Gale, Senior Property Agent, through Dave Roundtree, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Bond, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the purchase of the 4-plex and property located at 897 Morrill Avenue, Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 008-161-12, for the amount of \$130,000 from owners Gary Talbot and Yolanda Labia be approved.

00-387 ROSEWOOD CREEK SEZ RESTORATION PROJECT - INCLINE VILLAGE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Upon recommendation of Kimble Corbridge, Engineering Division, through Dave Roundtree, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Bond, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the Rosewood Creek Stream Environmental Zone (SEZ) Restoration Project proposed by the Incline Village General Improvement District (IVGID) be approved in concept. It was further ordered that staff be authorized to request \$250,000 from Washoe County's TRPA Water Quality Mitigation Fund (SEZ portion only) for the purpose of helping fund the proposed IVGID project.

00-388 APPEARANCE - HAYGROUP CONSULTANTS

Joanne Ray, Human Resources Director, stated that the purpose of today's appearance is to obtain the Board's input and direction concerning the county labor market groups to be surveyed for the employee classification and compensation study.

Neville Kenning, consultant from The HayGroup, stated that they are ready to begin collecting the data from the peer group labor markets. He referred to a chart listing approximately 40 counties and their ranking in relevancy to Washoe County and pointed out that the top 13, shown in the shaded area, are the recommended counties. Mr. Kenning emphasized that all they are doing at this point is collecting data and not determining salaries.

Commissioner Galloway stated that he spent quite a bit of time with staff on this matter and requested that a cost-of-living comparison be included in the relevancy rankings, which does appear on the chart. He suggested that all of the counties with a relevancy equivalent of "5" and above be included for comparison.

Commissioner Sferrazza stated that he cannot support comparing Washoe County to Marin and Santa Cruz Counties. He further stated that he would like to see the elected officials included in the chart concerning residence of new hires.

Following further discussion, Commissioner Galloway moved that the consultant collect data from all counties with a relevancy ranking of "5" and above. Commissioner Bond seconded the motion.

Commissioner Sferrazza moved that the motion be amended to exclude Santa Cruz and Marin Counties. Commissioner Shaw seconded this motion.

Chairman Short called for a vote on the amendment to the motion, and the amendment failed on a 2 to 3 vote with Commissioners Galloway, Short and Bond voting "no." The Chairman then called for a vote on the motion to direct the consultant to collect data from all counties on the list with a relevancy ranking of "5" and above. The motion carried on a 4 to 1 vote with Commissioner Sferrazza voting "no," and it was so ordered.

00-389 APPEARANCE - STATE OF NEVADA DIVISION OF WATER PLANNING

Edward Skudlarek, Natural Resource Planner, Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, stated that the presentation is about a natural resource planning process as currently there is no natural resource plan at this time; and that this is the department's first attempt at putting together an integrated natural resource plan for the State. He further stated that perceptions and preferences for natural resources are changing as Nevada becomes more connected to the Western United States region and the nation; that the citizens are demanding a more meaningful voice in the natural resource decision making process; and that there are ideas and opportunities for changing and updating the State policy. He advised that with shrinking budgets and increasing responsibilities there is a need to improve coordination for efficiency.

Following a question and answer session, Katy Singlaub, County Manager, suggested that the Board request that the Field Manager of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) from Carson City appear before them and make a presentation about public land issues in order to clarify some concerns.

00-390 RESOLUTION - WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES - PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Karen Mullen, Parks & Recreation Director, stated that Airtouch Cellular approached the Parks Department about the possibility of placing a 50-foot cellular tower, which is a monopole structure, in the exact same location of an existing power pole on the Washoe Golf Course. She advised that concerns arose from the District Attorney's Office and the Parks Commission that this was a policy decision for the Board to consider whether or not to allow these wireless communications cell tower sites and whether it would open the door on other sites within the County, i.e., regional parks or neighborhood parks. Ms. Mullen answered questions regarding the two proposed resolutions that were submitted to the Board for possible adoption.

Commissioner Shaw inquired if it was the responsibility of the applicant or of the County, in a situation like this, to find an alternate site. Madelyn Shipman, Legal Counsel, responded that there is no responsibility of the County to assist at all; that normally the applicants would go to private ownership's for sites; and that the applicants are probably coming to public sites because it is what they need for their specific purpose.

Commissioner Bond commented that the County has a code regarding wireless locations. Ms. Mullen responded that Commissioner Bond is correct and that currently the Development Code lists restricted locations, as public trails and/or open space, and that the Parks Commission is concerned about opening that particular door for regional and neighborhood parks.

Commissioner Galloway commented that there are two resolutions and one of them adds County owned property to the list of restricted

locations. Ms. Mullen stated that the Board could specify areas for exclusion, i.e., regional and neighborhood parks, etc. and if they adopt the first resolution it will have to go back through the Planning Commission, who may opt to exclude other properties before it comes back to the Board. She added that this will put in motion the process of revisiting what locations are restricted.

Robert Sellman, Director, Community Development Department, stated that the first resolution opens up the discussion on the ordinance itself and does not automatically prohibit any locations at this time, but it does give direction to staff to review the existing ordinance and bring it back to the Board in final ordinance form.

Ms. Shipman advised that the existing ordinance does not authorize cell tower sites in zoning categories that comprise the public facilities, public parks and public buildings, and they are not allowed in or on County property; that the Commission, by statute, has the sole authority to determine how County property is managed; and that, if they adopted the first resolution, it would go back through the planning process to incorporate a category of parks or County property that potentially could be available. She further advised that there has been no market research conducted by Washoe County to determine what the value of the site is; that there are other issues relating to the Board's role of manager of property in certain instances; that there is a fiduciary responsibility to utilize property for the purposes for which it was acquired or to be used; and that if there is initiation of an ordinance to amend the Development Code, findings must be made that the cell tower site will not interfere, in any way, with the primary use of that property.

Commissioner Bond inquired if there was a possibility for utilities to co-locate on the same pole. Ms. Mullen responded that there is always the possibility for having several co-locations on one pole and a potential lease could be worded specific to one pole and one location.

Rand Lewman, advised that he is representing Verizon Wireless, formerly Airtouch Cellular, as well as himself as a citizen of Washoe County. He stated that his understanding is that cell tower sites are not prohibited from being located on any County property except through the zoning process; that the Planning Department has a special use permit process to control the use of County property; and that there are control parameters within the ordinance to keep the industry in line. He further stated that Verizon Wireless is a public utility and falls under the same types of rules and regulations issued by the Nevada Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Lewman informed the Board of current cell tower sites they use, including the California State Capitol, the Federal Building in Carson City, as well as numerous other sites throughout California and Nevada.

Doug Picard, RF Engineer for Verizon Wireless, stated that he is responsible for determining where facilities are required, based upon analysis of the traffic on their system; and that he is prepared to answer any radio frequency or emissions related questions about the site.

Colman Burke, LCC International, stated that he discussed with John Rhodes, Deputy District Attorney, the possibility of using existing County water tank sites eliminating the need to put up a tower; that they could attach antennas to the tank therefore minimizing the aesthetic impact as well as providing revenue to the County; and that he would like the Commissioners to direct staff on how to proceed with leasing and, if necessary, the public bid process.

Ms. Mullen clarified that the adoption of this resolution would not change the section where they attach antennas to existing buildings and/or water tank sites, but rather addresses the monopole and tower structures only. She stated that they bury utilities underground at some facilities; that is how, in some instances, they match federal dollars for those facilities; and that they have to keep these things in mind when making this policy.

Commissioner Galloway commented that he does not recognize the need for a code amendment of any kind and believes that only a policy is needed.

Commissioner Sferrazza stated that he is opposed to commercial use of parks, open space and golf courses, as they should be kept open.

Following further discussion, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Bond, which motion duly carried with Commissioners Sferrazza and Shaw voting "no," Chairman Short ordered that staff be directed to come back with a draft policy for locating wireless telecommunication facilities on County property and whether or not this would necessitate an amendment to the Development Code.

00-391 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - EXPANSION/CONSTRUCTION - INCLINE VILLAGE LIBRARY - WC-1 FUNDS

Commissioner Galloway stated that one of the promises made in the 1994 election under the WC-1 tax override was expansion of the Incline Village Library branch.

Nancy Cummings, Library Director, responded to questions and clarified the purpose of the override.

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, stated that one of the issues that has impacted the scheduling of the County's fulfillment of WC-1 is some of the operating costs that have been undertaken with some of the improvements that were planned. She further stated that it has always been the County's intention to move the Incline Library forward.

In response to a call for public input, Norman Rosenberg, Library Board, gave a brief history of the Incline Village Library and encouraged the Board to support this proposal. Martha Gould, area resident and former Library Director, briefly explained the reasoning for the development of WC-1, noted that projects usually finish under estimated costs, and encouraged Board approval.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that necessary expenditure of funds from the Library's tax override revenues, to begin the planning and design phase for the Incline Library expansion project be approved, and the Public Works Department be authorized to issue an RFP (Request for Proposal) to implement the facilities program review for the Incline Library project as outlined below:

Phase I:

Facility Program Review:

- * Define the needs based upon the library service roles and function
- * Define functional space and operational relationships
- * Assess space use
- * Assign square footage

Existing Building Review:

- * Assess and evaluate options to include:
 - ✓ Expand/remodel existing structure
 - ✓ Construct new facility
- * Develop program budget

Phase II:

- * Schematic Design Development to Include:
 - ✓ Architectural design/documentation to meet program requirements
 - ✓ Creation of conceptual site and building plans

It was further ordered that staff be directed to come back with a funding plan to complete the construction which will be prescribed in Phase II.

00-392 ALTURAS POWER LINE MITIGATION FUNDS - PROPOSED PROJECT - HORSEMAN'S PARK IN LEMMON VALLEY - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

5:00 p.m. This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the Reno Gazette-Journal on April 28, 2000, to review project description sheets and associated staff comments on each project proposed for funding with Alturas power line mitigation funds: a) Improvements to Horseman's Park in Lemmon Valley (Community Pride Project) \$21,600; b) receive public comments and testimony on these proposed projects; c) determine if these projects should be selected for funding; and d) appoint an appropriate Washoe County department as project manager for the approved project. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Robert Sellman, Director, Community Development Department, made a brief presentation regarding the proposed improvements to Horseman's Park in Lemmon Valley. He stated that there are questions regarding the eligibility of the PA system and timing light under this funding.

Chairman Short opened the public hearing and called upon those wishing to speak on this matter.

Pat Ceccarelli, representing Lemmon Valley Association, stated that they would like to see improvements done on the horse arena; that there is no handicap accessibility; that there no picnic tables or shade for people to sit and watch their children or grandchildren ride; and that there is not enough ties for horses while events are happening at the arena. She advised that certain events require a timer, which is why they are requesting a timing light. She stated that this would help draw more participants to their events. She advised that the PA system they currently use is pieced together, causing them to crawl on the roof to hang speakers for their events.

Linda Zimmerman, representing Northern Reno Horseman's Association, Washoe County 4-H, Comstock Arabian Association, and John Selin, Lemmon Valley resident since 1984, also encouraged the Board to support these improvements for the park.

There being no one else wishing to speak Chairman Short closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Bond addressed lack of water in the park and the moratorium in the Lemmon Valley against additional wells.

On motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the improvements, including the

timing light, to Horseman's Park in the amount of \$21,600, be approved and that the Parks and Recreation Department be appointed as the project manager. It was further ordered that staff be directed to review handicap accessibility at this park and report back to the Board with options.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

TED F. SHORT, Chairman
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST: AMY HARVEY, County Clerk